

Health Certificate No. _____
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EXPORT VETERINARY CERTIFICATE
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA
CANNED AND DRIED PET FOOD OF POULTRY, PORCINE AND BEEF BY-PRODUCTS

I, _____ a Veterinarian authorized by the Veterinary Services of the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, hereby certify after due inquiry, to the best of my knowledge and based on regular (at least quarterly) inspections and audits of available records that the following conditions apply to the pet food covered by Permit no. _____.

- 1). The _____ products stipulated below were manufactured in a State approved export facility under the authority of the STATE OF _____.
- 2). The United States of America is officially free of B.S.E. as it fulfills all the conditions as stipulated in Article 3.1, 13.2 of the OIE health code.
- 3). The materials were obtained from:
 - a). animals that were born and raised in North America, slaughtered at an abattoir in the United States of America, subjected to both ante- and post-mortem veterinary inspections, found free from signs of disease, and on the basis of such inspections showed no evidence of disease derived from transportation; or
 - b). animals and carcasses not passed fit for human consumption but permitted by USA law to be used in the production of pet food after having undergone an approved sterilization process.
- 4). No Material of Ovine or Caprine origin has been included in the final product
- 5). Raw materials of animal origin are of local origin (excluding fish). No imported animal meal has been included in the said product
- 6). Samples of the batch being exported have been tested and comply with the following standards and have been kept and packed in a way that prevents re-contamination:
 - i) Salmonella: Absence in 25 g; n=5, c=0, M=0
 - ii) Enterobacteriaceae; n=5, c=2, m=0; M 3x10 in 1 gram
 - iii) Clostridium perfringens: absence in 1 gram (sample taken after treatment)Where:
n= number of units comprising sample
m= threshold value for the number of bacteria; result satisfactory if the number of bacteria in all sample units does not exceed m
M= maximum value for the number of bacteria; result considered unsatisfactory if the number of bacteria is one or more sample units is M or more;
c= number of sample units the bacterial count of which may be between m and M, the sample still being acceptable if the bacterial count of the other sample units is m or less.

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- 7). In the case of Dry Pet Food the pet food has been subjected to an extruder temperature of 250°F for 30 seconds, followed by a drying time of at least 190°F for 15 minutes.
- 8). In the case of Canned Pet Food the product has been manufactured according to standard canning processing techniques and has been subjected to a FO value of 3 or more.

DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT:

Specify type of product and species of origin of raw material
(poultry/beef/porcine): _____

Packaging/cartons bearing the following markings: _____

Consignor: _____

Container number: _____ Seal number: _____

Place/Port of loading: _____

Manufacturer: _____

Consignee _____

Date of loading: _____

Vessel/aircraft: _____

Signature of official Veterinarian

Official Seal

Name in Print

Designation: _____